

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1 1. (Withdrawn) A method for preparing cappuccino wherein at least one coffee pad
2 filled with ground coffee and an instant and/or liquid creamer are utilized, the method further
3 comprising the following method steps: - hot water is forced under pressure through the coffee
4 pad for obtaining coffee extract; - the coffee extract is fed under pressure to at least one nozzle
5 for obtaining a coffee extract jet, the coffee extract jet is aimed at a first buffer reservoir already
6 filled with the creamer so that in the first buffer reservoir the cappuccino is formed and the
7 cappuccino is discharged from the first buffer reservoir.

1 2. (Withdrawn) A method according to claim 1, wherein the cappuccino flowing
2 from the first buffer reservoir is supplied to an impact surface while, after the cappuccino has
3 flowed onto the impact surface, the cappuccino is discharged for consumption.

1 3. (Withdrawn) A method according to claim 2, wherein the impact surface is
2 formed by a bottom of a second buffer reservoir which is also filled with the cappuccino, while
3 the cappuccino is discharged from the second buffer reservoir for consumption.

1 4. (Currently Amended) An apparatus for the preparation of a cappuccino, the
2 apparatus comprising:

3 a holder with an inlet and an outlet wherein, in use, the holder is filled with
4 ground coffee,

5 a hot water supply unit for supplying hot water under pressure to the inlet of the
6 holder so that the hot water is forced through the ground coffee for obtaining a coffee extract,

7 at least one nozzle which is in fluid communication with the outlet for generating
8 a coffee extract jet, and

9 a first buffer reservoir which, in use, is filled with an instant and/or liquid
10 creamer, the first buffer reservoir being positioned relative to the at least one nozzle such that the
11 coffee extract jet spouts into the first buffer reservoir so that the cappuccino is formed, the first
12 buffer reservoir being provided with at least one first outflow path for discharging the cappuccino
13 from the first buffer reservoir,

14 an impact surface positioned relative to the first buffer reservoir such that the
15 cappuccino flowing from the buffer reservoir impacts onto the impact surface before leaving the
16 apparatus,

17 wherein the first buffer reservoir is removable from, and replaceable in, the
18 apparatus as a separate unit.

1 5. (Previously Presented) The apparatus according to claim 4, wherein the impact
2 surface forms part of a second buffer reservoir provided with at least one second outflow path for
3 discharging the cappuccino from the second buffer reservoir for consumption.

1 6. (Cancelled)

1 7. (Previously Presented) The apparatus according to claim 5, wherein the first
2 buffer reservoir is placed above the second buffer reservoir.

1 8. (Previously Presented) The apparatus according to claim 7, wherein the first
2 buffer reservoir has a bottom which is smaller than a bottom of the second buffer reservoir.

1 9. (Previously Presented) The apparatus according to claim 8, wherein the first
2 buffer reservoir is formed by an opened disposable cup filled with the creamer or a refillable
3 holder which is filled with the creamer.

1 10. (Previously Presented) The apparatus according to claim 9, wherein the first
2 outflow path comprises an opening in a bottom of the first buffer reservoir.

1 11. (Previously Presented) The apparatus according to claim 9, wherein the
2 disposable container or the refillable holder is arranged to be positioned on top of the second
3 buffer reservoir such that the first outflow path terminates in the second buffer reservoir.

1 12. (Previously Presented) The apparatus according to claim 11, wherein the holder is
2 designed to be filled with a coffee pad.

1 13. (Previously Presented) A disposable cup of the assembly according to claim 11.

1 14. (Previously Presented) A refillable holder of the assembly according to claim 11.